

INFORMATION REPORT

REPORT NO.

CD NO.

COUNTRY Germany (Russian Zone)

DATE DISTR. 31 MAR 1949

SUBJECT 1. Soviet OB in Dresden Area
2. MGB Arrest of Soviet Officials

NO. OF PAGES 1

PLACE [REDACTED] 25X1A6a
ACQUIRED

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

DATE OF INFO: 11/11/01

**SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.**

25X1X6

1. Two large Soviet Army Headquarters are located in Dresden and vicinity: the headquarters of the First Tank Army is in Radebeul and the headquarters of the Eleventh Tank Division is in the small village of Klose or Kloze. Units of the Eleventh Tank Division are stationed in villages surrounding the headquarters. The airfield which serves the First Tank Army is nine kilometers from Dresden. In February 1949 an undetermined number of re-enforcements arrived. They are young, newly-trained flight sergeants from Russia.
2. At the beginning of February 1949 all Soviet Army generals and a few selected colonels were called to a week-long conference which was held either in Weimar or in Erfurt. The purpose of the conference is not known.
3. In February 1949 the KGB arrested seventeen Soviet officials of SMA Saxony. They were charged with maintaining illegal relationships with Germans and were also accused of engaging in espionage for western powers. No evidence was found to support the accusation of espionage. The seventeen were immediately shipped under guard to Russia.
4. The main "Vismut" Headquarters is located in Chemnitz; Maj. General Maltsev, Chief of "Vismut", has his office in the Chemnitz headquarters. Lesser administrative headquarters of "Vismut" are known (among the Soviet personnel) to be located in Dresden (Weisser Hirsch), Aue, and Berlin.
5. In January or February 1949, Marshal Sokolovski issued a command whereby Land SMA headquarters are ordered to supply estimates of the total amount of available raw materials and manufactured goods. This estimate is to include data from all Soviet AGs, from the Volkseigene Betriebe, and from private firms. This survey will try to gauge the effect of the Western counter-blockade and to determine which goods can be released for local consumption.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET~~

[illegible]

Document No.

NO CHANGE in C183

☒ DECLASSIFIED

Class CHAUCED TO:

DDA Memo. 4 Apr 73

Auth: DDA Ref. 77/1767

DA-RDR82-00457-R

0260
BXV 2

This document is hereby regraded to
CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the
letter of 16 October 1978 from the
Director of Central Intelligence to the
Archivist of the United States.
Next Review Date: 2008
Approved For Release